

Subject: Support Lake Jordan Rules
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To the Members of the Environmental Management Commission:

Let me summarize my reasons for writing you about Lake Jordan very briefly: I'm angry and ashamed that those who govern the country and the state I love are willing to let us live in the increasing toxic filth our culture produces and are NOT willing to spend enough time, money and thoughtful energy to keep clean our most precious and valuable resources: air, water and soil. Wise action in society depends on leadership. For God's sake, who at the top is going to wake up to what matters, and wake the rest of society up as well, before nothing matters much anymore? Let us set an examples here and now and begin the slow process of salvaging and educating.

Here are the reasons I support the rules for keeping Jordan Lake clean:

- * I live in the Herdon Creek watershed and know that these rules to reduce nutrient pollution will mean cleaner creeks, rivers and lakes where I live - not just in Jordan Lake.
- * My family and I enjoy using Jordan Lake for swimming, boating, paddling, fishing, watersports or other recreation and want it to be clean enough to use safely
- * Many people's drinking water (including family members) comes from Jordan Lake (Cary, Apex, Morrisville, Chatham) and I am concerned for them about how clean it is. I understand that Durham also has plans to use water from Jordan Lake soon.
- * Our region depends economically on Jordan Lake to be clean and attractive. Home builders, realtors, the tourism industry all need Jordan Lake to be an attractive resource, not ?impaired waters?. It is an economically important asset.
- * I care about the wildlife that depends on a healthy lake, including the large populations of fish, and nesting birds such as eagles, ospreys, herons, and egrets.

We need strong rules now, and no more delays. We need to get on with the job of cleaning up Jordan Lake.

Good courage, good luck and many thanks for your positive actions,

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